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Dear Sir:

This paper is being filed in response to the Final Official Action mailed May 20, 2003 and the Advisory Action mailed August 5, 2003, setting a three-month shortened statutory period for response ending August 20, 2003. Enclosed herewith is a petition for a one-month extension of time, extending the time for response to September 20, 2003.

Amendments to the claims are reflected in the listing of claims which begins on page 2 of this paper.

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